## **PATENT APPLICATION**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Takamitsu ASANUMA

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Application No.: 10/562,900

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For:

EXHAUST GAS CONTROL APPARATUS FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION

**ENGINE** 

## NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE AND FILING RECEIPT STATUS REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-captioned patent application entered the National Phase on December 29, 2005. The 35 U.S.C. 371 requirements were completed on December 29, 2005.

The original Notification of Acceptance and Filing Receipt have not yet been received. It is respectfully requested that the original Notification of Acceptance and Filing Receipt be immediately forwarded to the attorneys of record at the address set forth below.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371  INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED	R 1.5)					
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PCT/IB2005/001612 September 6, 2005 June 10, 2004						
TITLE OF INVENTION EXHAUST GAS CONTROL APPARATUS FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE						
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Takamitsu ASANUMA						
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:						
☐ This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.						
2. This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.	This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.					
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.					
4.  The US has been elected (Article 31).	The US has been elected (Article 31).					
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))						
a.  is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).	a.  is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).					
b.  has been communicated by the International Bureau.	b.  has been communicated by the International Bureau.					
c.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).						
6.  An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))					
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b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).	b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
c.   The International Application was filed in English.	c. The International Application was filed in English.					
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))					
a.   are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).						
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c.   have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.	c.  have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.					
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An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).						
9.  An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).					
10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Arti (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).						
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:						
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12.	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.					
13.	A preliminary amendment.					
An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.						
15. A substitute specification.	A substitute specification.					
16.  A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.					
17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.					
18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).	A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).	A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
20.  Other items or information: Notification of Acceptance and Filing Receipt Status Request	Other items or information: Notification of Acceptance and Filing Receipt Status Request					

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must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.						
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